

The Wreckage of Another Year's Business.

Pursuant to our custom, we have this January inventoried our entire stock and selected such merchandise from the several departments as has failed to move satisfactorily and the "Tag" ends of the lots that have nearly sold out, and put prices on them that will force them out of the way of

NEW SPRING GOODS SOON TO BE OPENED.

You know the meaning of "force them out of the way" is all the life has been cut out of the prices. Our loss is your opportunity. They are plums, come and get them. We enumerate a few items to give you some idea of what we are doing.

CLOTHING!

Sixty-one pairs Jeans Pants (soiled), regular prices \$1.00, 1.25 and 1.50; your choice for 75 cents.
One hundred and seven Knee Pants Suits, ages 5 to 15 years; marked down 25% to 33 1/3 per cent.
Seventy-two Men's and Boys' Overcoats; to close, 20 per cent. discount.
Ninety-four pairs Men's Odd Pants, damaged; marked down to one-half price and less.
Six hundred and five pairs Men's Clean, Good, Odd Pants; 20 per cent. discount to reduce stock. This lot contains our very choicest pants.

Dry Goods, Notions, Etc.

Some great values in remnants of Woolen Dress Goods.
Some 10c. Flannelettes, reduced to 7 1/2c.
Some 7 1/2c. Flannelettes, reduced to 5c.
All 10c. Fancy Duck Suitings reduced to 5c.
All 10c. Rustle Lining reduced to 5c.
One lot yarn reduced from 50c. per lb. to 38 cents.
One lot Men's Arrow Brand Collars, a little off style, per dozen 25c.
One lot Ladies' Wool Vests, reduced from 75c. to 25c.
One lot Oxblood and Bright Red Hose reduced from 50 and 25c. to 10c.
And everything else under this head that needs moving, at prices that will FORCE.

SHOES!

Forty pairs Men's, old stock; some, however, good, except style a little off; Lace, Congress, Medium, Narrow and Wide Toe. Regular price from \$2.50 to \$4.00; cut price, 40 to 50c. on the dollar.
Sixty pairs Ladies' Kangaroo, Calif. Lace and Button, Heel and Spring-heel; good as new, except toe a little off. Regular price \$1.50, cut price \$1.15.
One big lot, Ladies' Shoes, old stock, general mixture of nearly all kinds. Regular price from \$1.50 to \$4.00; cut to 40c. or 50c. on the dollar, and other lots we will not enumerate now.

Twenty per cent. discount entire remnant of our 1898 purchase Ladies' and Misses' Jackets and Misses' Capes.

This gives a faint idea of what we mean by our January and February Clearance Sale. Come in and reap the benefit won't you.

BISHOP & CO.,
MADISONVILLE, KY.
YOUR MONEY BACK IF YOU WANT IT.

COAL SITUATION.

Mine Operators and Railroad Officials Co-operating;
Strenuous Efforts to Relieve the Necessities of Many Towns.

GENERAL MANAGER CAME YESTERDAY.
Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and Dispatchers Now Here.

The unusually cold winter, with its unprecedented climax of away below zero weather this month, has upset all calculations as to demand and supply of coal, as well as everything else dependent upon weather conditions in any degree. The Siberian temperature of the early hours of Monday morning, the thermometer registering 28 degrees below zero, spoiled all human plans and sent shivers through the coal mines and machinery and the railroad running gear. Beginning with Thursday, the 8th instant, when the temperature again went below zero, the conditions as to coal supply in many towns in Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana and Illinois, which had already for days been pinching, became absolutely distressing and coal famines were imminent. The aggregate capacity of the many large mines in the Western Kentucky coal district, usually in excess of any possible demand, became utterly inadequate to more than alleviate the distress from day to day with the best co-operation of the railroad officials and the utmost care in distributing the output. There are exceptional conditions which have never occurred since the beginning of this coal field as a commercial factor, and may not obtain again within a generation. An utterly improbable, unforeseen and unforeseeable extremity of winter weather coming at a time when the domestic stocks of coal of even those who had been provident were exhausted.

The mines of Hopkins county, which produce one-fourth of the total coal output of the State, have been running full time, and in several instances overtime when the men were able to do extra work. So it has been with the other mines of the district.

On Sunday, the 5th inst., the No. 9 mine here and the Diamond mine at Morton's Gap, both St. Bernard operations, were run for half a day in the endeavor to increase the output and contribute to the necessities of many towns without fuel. The miners cheerfully volunteered to do this unusual work though already overworked, but many were incapacitated by mild attacks of la grippe and the product was then, and has been before and since, considerably curtailed thereby.

Last Sunday Col. J. P. Ford operated the Hecla mines with the same end in view.

Heavy snows have fallen repeatedly, adding to the difficulty and expense of operating the mines, and no little damage has been felt at practically all the mines from freezing of water and steam pipes, etc.

The railroads were overruled with business, handling every pound of traffic their equipment would haul, and some delays necessarily occurred in delivery of coal shipped. The thermometer was fourteen degrees below zero Thursday morning and sixteen degrees below zero Friday morning.

The railroad push began Friday evening. The afternoon train that day brought from Evansville, Superintendent W. S. Martin, Assistant Superintendent E. H. Mann and several dispatchers, who occupied the office of Trainmaster M. Devney and put their shoulders to the wheel to move coal.

The undivided attention of these officials was given to the movement of coal and Earlington became, and is yet the scene of great activity in the lively movement and distribution of large quantities of coal from the mines on this road to the many towns and cities that were clamoring in their distress for coal. Since that time all of the dispatchers have been moved to Earlington and will remain here until the coal situation again resumes its normal condition. Assistant Superintendent Mann has been in personal charge of a switching crew and engine a portion of the time. The coal has been moved rapidly and all mines have been served without delay and the coal sent out as fast as a train load could be had. The trains have even been permitted to run a little light in order to facilitate the movement of coal to suffering towns. General Manager J. G. Metcalfe, of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, who has been in Nashville during this trying time, came to Earlington yesterday to look into and advise concerning the situation.

The rise in temperature yesterday was encouraging, and with no further extreme cold weather the coal operators, with the co-operation of the railroad officials, will be comfortable again in a short time, both as regards coal for railroads and manufacturing and coal for domestic purposes.

SCHOOLS WON.

Madisonville Voted for Graded Schools by 67 Majority.

The school election in Madisonville Tuesday resulted in a victory for the advocates of better schools. The total vote cast was 375, and the majority by which the graded school proposition won was 67. The proposition is for a graded school system, and the qualified white voters were the only ones entitled to a vote. A most excellent board of trustees was elected, viz: I. Bailey, M. W. Bishop, C. C. Givens, Samuel Bassett, W. G. Johnson and W. C. Hollinger.

The trustees will at once begin the legal fight to determine whether there is any flaw in the election or the law, and will present the case first before Circuit Judge T. J. Nunn at the present term of court, and then take it to the Court of Appeals for final decision. The school advocates are jubilant.

Mrs. James R. Rash.
After an earnest, useful, Christian life of over forty-five years, more than twenty-one years of which time had passed in the happiest and most loving and devoted married life, Louise, wife of James R. Rash, died at the family residence here Sunday morning, February 12, 1899, at 3:10 o'clock. The illness had been of only six days duration, but had been intense. On the evening before death came, the symptoms seemed quite favorable and it was thought Mrs. Rash was improving. That evening Mr. Rash talked with his son, Frank, who has been at college in Boston, over the long distance telephone, told him his mother's condition and asked him to come. Frank left Boston the next morning with the hope that he would find his mother better, and reached Earlington Tuesday afternoon, having been met at Evansville by friends who told him of his great loss.

The illness was a severe gastric fever which left Mrs. Rash in a very weakened condition. An unexpected complication set in rapidly during Saturday night and she died of oedema of the lungs. The deceased, whose maiden name was Louise V. Dillman, was born November 6th, 1853, and died February 12, 1899, aged forty-five years, three months and six days. She was married to James R. Rash November 15, 1877 and was baptized into the Christian Church March 9, 1883. There are two sons living, Frank D. and Ben, who bear the heavy burden of sorrow with the husband and father.

A brief service was held at the family residence at 12:30 p. m., Wednesday, conducted by Elder I. H. Teel, pastor of the Christian church. Everything was arranged with simplicity, and the effort made to do as far as possible in harmony with the life and convictions of the deceased.

The funeral proceeded to Grapevine cemetery, where the body was interred and the services briefly concluded.

The pall-bearers were: Honorary, John B. Atkinson, Earlington; Thomas E. Barbour, Hopkinsville; P. W. Middleton, Greenville; C. C. Moore, Hopkinsville; active, C. A. Bourland, Earlington; M. Cain, Morton's Gap; J. W. Day, Earlington; C. H. McGary, Earlington; Harry Bridges, Louisville; C. W. White, Owensboro.

Among the relations of the family present were Mr. B. L. Rash, father of Jas. R. Rash, and wife, of Hopkins county; Mr. O. W. Rash, of Henderson; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Rash, of Madisonville; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Salmon, of Islley; Mrs. Ranceway, of Evansville; Mrs. J. W. Pritchett, of Madisonville.

A large number of friends came from many places to pay their last respects to the departed.

The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful, and expressed the sympathy of many dear friends. Among them was one presented by the Ladies' Magazine club, of which Mrs. Rash was a member, and one from the Sunday school class, of which she had been the beloved teacher.

Capt. B. F. Dickson.

Capt. B. F. Dickson, formerly Superintendent of the Henderson division of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, but now Captain of 2d U. S. Volunteer Engineers, writes from Quemadas, Cuba, that he is going to the neighborhood of Trinidad to build four miles of railroad for Uncle Sam. He speaks of copper and iron ore and quantities of the finest timber, ebony, etc., in the world in some parts of the island. Capt. Dickson's address is Havana.

Low Temperature.

Since the first of February there have been five days with a minimum temperature of from fourteen to twenty-eight degrees below zero—two days 14, one 16, one 22, one 28. The lowest record was made in the early hours of Monday morning. The average minimum for the month has been 2.1 degrees above zero.

We are glad to learn that Miss Frankie Stokes, formerly of this place, but now of Guthrie, Ky., is well pleased with her new home. She will visit here in the spring.

CALOOCAN IS CAPTURED.

Gen. Otis is Gradually Disintegrating the Filipino Army Gathered Around Manila.

THE MONADNOCK USED HER BIG GUNS.

After the Bombardment the American Troops Moved Forward Gallantly, Sweeping the Enemy Before Them and Occupying Their Positions in the Works and Trenches at Caloocan.

Manila, Feb. 10, 7:40 p. m.—The American forces at 5:40 this afternoon made a combined attack upon Caloocan, and reduced it in short order.

At a signal from the tower of De la Loma church, the United States double-turreted monitor Monadnock opened fire from the bay, with the big guns of her fore turret on the earthworks with great effect.

Soon after the Utah battery bombarded the place from the land side.

The Filipinos reserved their fire until the bombardment ceased, when they fired volleys of musketry as the Montana regiment advanced on the jungle.

The Kansas regiment, on the extreme left, with the Third artillery deployed to the right, charged across the open, and carried the earthworks, cheering under a heavy fire.

Supported by the artillery at the church, the troops further advanced, driving the enemy, fighting every foot of the way, and penetrated the Presidential, and lowered the Filipino flag at 5:30 p. m.

The enemy's sharpshooters, in the jungle on the right, fired at long range on the Pennsylvania regiment, but they were soon silenced by shrapnel shells, and the Pennsylvanians remained in the trenches.

As the Americans advanced they burned the native huts. The rebels were moved down like sheep, but the American loss was slight.

ADVISED BY AGONCILLO.

Insurgent Representatives to America Advised Immediately to Attack Upon American Forces in Manila.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The following cablegram was received at the war department yesterday:

Adjutant General, Washington.—Reported that insurgent representative at Washington telegraphed Aguinaldo to drive out Americans before arrival of reinforcements. A dispatch was received from Hong Kong and mailed to Manila, which decided on an attack to be made about seventh inst. The eagerness of the insurgent troops to begin the engagement precipitated the battle.

OTIS.

OUR DEAD HEROES.

Bodies to be Brought from Cuba and Porto Rico for Burial by Friends on Native Soil.

Washington, Feb. 11.—The war department, after a long and careful work, has made what it believes to be full and complete list of the dead of the Cuban and Porto Rican campaigns, who are still interred in Cuba. An appropriation has been made to have these bodies removed to the United States, and the Roumanian, with a large force of undertakers, has started for Porto Rico to begin this work.

The Texas Sent to Galveston.

Havana, Feb. 11.—The battleship Texas, Capt. Sigbee, was ordered to Galveston, Tex., and sailed from Havana Thursday. She will return to Havana the day following the decoration of the graves of the Maine victims.

Discharge for Furlough Men.

Washington, Feb. 11.—By order of the secretary of war all soldiers now at home on furlough or in hospitals, whose regiments are doing foreign duty, will be at once discharged from the service.

For Librarian of Congress.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Indirect but apparently authentic information was received today by the Massachusetts members in congress that Representative Barrows, of Massachusetts, had been offered the office of librarian in congress and had accepted.

Several Blows Burned.

La Crosse, Wis., Feb. 11.—A disastrous blaze in West Salem destroyed several business blocks. The La Crosse fire department was called on for assistance, but did not arrive in time to be of service.

Fire at Toronto, Ont.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 11.—Fire which broke out at noon destroyed the building on Front street occupied by Gowans, Kent & Co., crockery and glassware dealers. The loss is estimated at \$200,000, of which \$20,000 is upon the building.

Dr. Robert C. Stewart and Two Dogs Asphyxiated.

Shippensburg, Pa., Feb. 11.—Dr. Robert C. Stewart was found dead in his room here, having been asphyxiated by illuminating gas. Two dogs in the room were also found dead.

"Aunt Dicy" Dubs Food Frozen to Death at Shawnee, Kan.

Olathe, Kan., Feb. 11.—"Aunt Dicy" Dubbs, aged 80 years, was found frozen to death in her home at Shawnee, where she had lived alone for years. She had apparently hurt herself by a fall, and was unable to call for help.

The St. Bernard Coal Company.

On Tuesday the 14th instant loaded and shipped eighty-eight cars of coal. Pretty good day's work under very adverse conditions.

Sudden Death of Maj. R. A. Fish.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Maj. R. A. Fish, at one time assessor of the District of Columbia, and assistant register of the treasury under President Cleveland's administration, died in a coal office here yesterday, where he had stopped for rest. He was over 70 years old, and the exertion of walking through the deep snow probably caused heart failure.

THE TAKING OF ILOILO.

The Filipinos There Had Evidently Been Given a Straight Tip on American Progress.

WERE WARNED TO GET OUT AND THEY GOT

They Made a Pretense of Defense and Then Evacuated, Leaving a Trail of Fire Behind Them—The American, English and German Consulates Saved by the Americans.

Manila, Feb. 15, 11:30 a. m.—Particulars of the capture of Iloilo by the United States forces under Brig. Gen. M. F. Miller, on Saturday last, have been received here.

On the morning of Friday, February 10, Gen. Miller sent an ultimatum to the commander of the Filipinos on shore, notifying him that it was his intention to take Iloilo, by force if necessary.

GEN. MARCUS F. MILLER.

(Commanding United States Troops at Iloilo, Philippines.)

Non-combatants and foreigners were warned to leave the town within 24 hours. The Filipinos were also warned that they must make no further belligerent preparations.

The gunboat Petrel was then moved to a position close in shore, and near the rebel fort, while the cruiser Boston took up her station at the other end of the town.

Friday passed quietly. During the day many refugees fled from the town of Iloilo. The majority of them were taken on board foreign ships lying in the harbor. Searchlights from the United States warships were kept all night long illuminating the town and its defenses.

A NIGHT OF QUIET.

The rebels, so far as the lookouts on the ships could discover, remained quiescent throughout the night.

At three o'clock on the morning of Saturday, February 11, the gunboat Petrel signaled to the cruiser Boston that the rebels were working in their trenches. In return the Petrel was ordered to fire warning shots upon the town with her three-pounders.

This was done, and the rebels replied with a harmless fusillade. The Boston and the Petrel then bombarded the rebels' trenches, completely clearing them of their occupants in a very short space of time.

A TRAIL OF FIRE.

Soon after the bombardment began, flames broke out simultaneously in various parts of the town. There upon 48 marines, acting as infantry and artillery, were landed from the cruiser Boston, and a company was sent ashore from the gunboat Petrel.

These detachments marched straight into the town of Iloilo, and, holding the Stars and Stripes over the fort took possession of the place in the name of the United States.

SAVED BY AMERICANS.

The capture of the town and its defenses having been accomplished, the marines and soldiers who had been sent ashore proceeded to the task of saving the American, English and German consulates from destruction by the fire which was raging among the frail and inflammable buildings of the town. Swiss consular residence, which was in the same row as the consulates named, was burned. The entire Chinese native sections of the town were destroyed, but foreign mercantile property escaped with slight damage.

There was some desultory firing by the enemy in the outskirts of Iloilo, but not a single American was injured.

ALL WERE SAVED.

The Five Chicagoan Who Got Adrift on the Ice Rescued After a Night of Peril.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—All of the five young people for Rogers' Park and Lake Forest, who went adrift on the half frozen ice of Lake Michigan, Sunday afternoon, and who had been given up as victims of either the severe cold or the treacherous ice in the lake, have been rescued by the Chicago life-saving crew. The strangest feature of the rescue was the fact that two distinct parties which had been carried out on the ice at two widely separated points, met each other during the night, joined their fortunes and were saved together.

GAMES IS STILL THE CUBAN ISOL.

New York, Feb. 15.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Havana says: Gen. Gomez, it is now stated, will reach Havana on Wednesday or Thursday. His reception in the country is discouraging his opponents, who wanted to antagonize the acceptance of \$5,000,000 from the United States.

In the Filly with the Thermometer at Zero.

Wilmington, Del., Feb. 12.—With the thermometer standing at zero three culprits were placed in the pillory for an hour at the Newcastle jail yard here.

Digest Your Food.

Ninety per cent. of all sickness is caused by food not being properly digested, it creates poisons and goes into your blood and then you are liable to almost any disease and be convinced. Price 25c. For sale by St. Bernard Drug Store.

Dr. Otto's Spruce Gum Balsam Cures Your Cough.

Just the medicine for children. Subscribe for THE BEE.

It Hangs On

If it was only health, we might let it cling. But it is a cough. One cold no sooner passes off before another comes. But it's the same old cough all the time. And it's the same old story, too. There is first the cold, then the cough, then pneumonia or consumption with the long sickness, and life trembling in the balance.

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draws out inflammation of the lungs.

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